

Road Construction Updates

May 17-31, 2013: Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks



Plan Carefully to Maximize Your Fun and Minimize Delays

Our construction season is short, and the work is necessary for everyone's safety. Thank you for your patience.

Are You Planning to See the Big Trees in Sequoia National Park?

You will find **20-minute to 1-hour delays along the main road (Generals Highway)** between the Hwy. 198 entrance to Sequoia National Park and the General Sherman Tree. You will pass through two construction zones along the way. *Construction schedules may change with little notice.*

Avoid Long Delays

Plan your travel to arrive at the Generals Highway reconstruction project close to the times listed. Additional time is required to travel to/from the park entrance to/from this construction zone.

Generals Highway Road Reconstruction Project

Friday: May 17

7 a.m.-5 p.m., maximum **1-hour** delays.
5:30 p.m.-8 p.m., maximum **30-minute** delays.

Monday: May 20

7 a.m.-5 p.m., maximum **1-hour** delays.
5:30 p.m.-8 p.m., maximum **30-minute** delays.

Tuesday-Wednesday: May 21-22

7 a.m.-5:30 p.m., maximum **30-minute** delays.

Thursday: May 23

7 a.m.-5 p.m., maximum **1-hour** delays.

Friday: May 24

7 a.m.-12 p.m., maximum **30-minute** delays.

Monday: May 27, Holiday - No delays!

Tuesday-Friday: May 28-31, Flaggers on site- less than 5-minute delays.

- * Passage at the top of the hour during 1-hour delays.
- * Passage at the top and bottom of hour during 30-minute delays.
- * **No delays during all other times.** Traffic will flow unrestricted thru construction zone in both lanes.

Utilities Construction Project

Installation of a new water system in a 1.25-mile section of the Generals Hwy just north of Giant Forest Museum has resumed.

Monday-Sunday, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., maximum **30-minute** delays with flaggers on weekdays and signal lights on weekends. *Possible 1-hour delays during paving.*

RVs & TRAILERS

NEW! Vehicle Length Limits Have Changed in Sequoia National Park (if Entering/exiting Hwy 198).

- Vehicles longer than 22 feet (6.7056 meters) are not advised between Potwisha Campground and the Giant Forest Museum in Sequoia NP.
- Vehicles longer than 24 feet (7.3152 meters) are not advised between the Foothills Visitor Center and Potwisha Campground in Sequoia NP.

The section of the Generals Highway leading to and from the "Big Trees" in Giant Forest was built from 1921-1926. As a result, the road was not constructed to accommodate longer vehicles.

MOTORCYCLES & BICYCLES

Road project work may cause slick, oily, and hazardous road conditions.

Slow down and be safe!

How Can You Minimize Delays?

- Give yourself plenty of time to visit.
- Stop by a visitor center, and ask a ranger to help plan your visit.
- Visit the only official park website for major road construction updates: www.nps.gov/seki.

Call 559-565-3341 for road conditions info (24-hr. recording only).